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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A composition for augmenting kidney function in a subject comprising ~~at least one~~ *Lactobacillus acidophilus*, *Streptococcus thermophilus*, and *Bifidobacterium longum* probiotic bacteria wherein said probiotic bacteria ~~reduces~~ are in an amount ranging from  $10^9$  to  $10^{11}$  colony forming units and reduce creatinine and BUN levels in the subject.

Claim 2 (original): The composition of claim 1 further comprising a gelatin coating.

Claim 3 (canceled).

Claim 4 (original): The composition of claim 1 further comprising at least one vitamin component and at least one mineral component.

Claims 5-13 (canceled).